Dear Members of the Judiciary Committee -

I am writing to you as a mother of three children's day a grandmother of two, and a recent resident of Connecticut, and as a very concerned American citizen. As an educator for more than 35 years I have become acutely aware of the devastating effects of gun violence on the citizens of our nation, particularly our students. Connecticut has been a true leader legislatively, and for that, I am beyond thankful. I am hopeful that we will continue to lead the way when it comes to strong gun safety laws; the data has proven out that they work to reduce maimings and deaths, see https://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/govbeat/wp/2015/06/12/gun-killings-fell-by-40-percent-after-connecticut-passed-this-law

Here I would like to document my SUPPORT for the following bills:

- 1) HB-7218, AN ACT CONCERNING THE SAFE STORAGE OF FIREARMS IN THE HOME(Ethan's Law).
- 2) HB-7219, AN ACT CONCERNING GHOST GUNS.
- 3) HB-7223, AN ACT CONCERNING THE STORAGE OF A PISTOL OR REVOLVER IN A MOTOR VEHICLE.
- 4) SB-60, AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRESENTATION OF A CARRY PERMIT. Here I would like to document my REJECTION of the following bills:
- 1) SB 940, AN ACT CONCERNING AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PERSONS TO CARRY HANDGUNS IN STATE PARKS AND STATE FORESTS.
- 2) HB- 5870, AN ACT CONCERNING TRANSFER OF ASSUALT WEAPONS AND LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES.
- 3) HB-5227, AN ACT CONCERING THE REGULATION OF FIREARMS BY MUNICIPALITIES.

Thank you for your time and for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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